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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. WALTER REID WOLF, DEPUTY DIRECTOR
(ADMINISTRATION), CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY:

Subject: Supply Requirements, Central
Intelligence Agency.

References: a. Memorandum, subject, "Supply Priority
for CIA" (TS No. 52084), 9 May 1952.
b. SPDM-142-52, 10 April 1952.

1. Reference a outlined time schedule on which Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) intended to submit its estimated materiel requirements for FY 1953, 1954, 1955.

2. In the interest of obtaining the materiel requirements not only in the most useful form, but also through the proper channels, the following suggestions are made:

a. Because of the magnitude and importance of the CIA programs and in order that priorities among those programs and as between those programs and purely Service programs may be assigned, it is suggested that the estimated materiel requirements be submitted to the Secretary of Defense. This assures the CIA programs of consideration at the highest level and provides for orderly referral to the Joint Chiefs of Staff with a view to assigning priorities and programming support for CIA.

b. It is recommended that programs be in the following general form:

(1) First, a statement of fundamental objectives as prescribed in basic national directives (NSC 10/2, etc.).

(2) Second, a statement of basic tasks, together with a detailed list of materiel requirements necessary to the accomplishment of each task. Each such

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list of materiel to be broken down by operational areas (equals Office of Policy Coordination, Central Intelligence Agency (CIA/OPC) term "area divisions") for which required, and by Technical Services from which supplied. CIA priorities as among the tasks should be specified.

c. It is recommended that the requirements for each fiscal year be broken down as between OPC (NSC 10/5 "Packet") and others.

3. Such an approach will enable the Joint Chiefs of Staff to deal with each yearly package in an orderly way, with a minimum of referral and requests for clarification between the Joint Staff and CIA, and will assist materially in expediting the allocation of priorities.

4. It is also recommended that consideration be given to including, in future revisions of the above materiel requirements estimates, the personnel requirements for the fiscal year involved, so that the requirements estimates tend to become, as they are revised, the NSC 10/5 "Packet" for the given fiscal years. In this way, the Department of Defense and the Joint Chiefs of Staff can give continuing consideration to what will eventually become the "Packet," to be submitted at the proper time to the Psychological Strategy Board for consideration and review by the NSC 10/5 panel as to advisability and feasibility.

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